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SUBJECT: RESEARCH VESSEL CLEARANCE REQUESTS

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1. BEFORE OUTLINING PROCEDURES USED BY THE EMBASSY IN REQUESTING CLEARANCES FOR RESEARCH VESSELS VISITING JAPAN, THE EMBASSY WISHES TO NOTE THAT IT HAS NO INDEPENDENT MEANS OF KNOWING IN ADVANCE OF INTENDED PORT CALLS BY VESSELS ENGAGED IN MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH UNLESS SO INFORMED VIA APPROPRIATE AND INTERESTED AGENCY CHANNELS. REQUESTS TO THE EMBASSY FOR ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING NECESSARY CLEARANCES ARE INFREQUENT (TWO IN THE LAST YEAR) BUT HANDLED PROMPTLY BY REQUESTING AGENCY COUNTERPARTS HERE IN TOKYO (E.G., NSF OFFICE).

2. ONCE INFORMED OF AN INTENDED PORT CALL BY A VESSEL AND AND PORTS TO BE VISITED, CREW AND SCIENTIST LISTS, OBJECTIVES OF THE RESEARCH, AND THE DIMENSIONS OF THE SHIP ITSELF, THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED BELOW ARE FOLLOWED.

3. ALL INFORMATION OBTAINED IS FORWARDED VIA NOTE VERBALE SIGNED BY THE AMBASSADOR TO THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WITH SPECIFIC REQUESTS FOR CLEARANCES AND EXEMPTION FROM BERTH CHARGES.

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4. IN PAST INSTANCES OF SUCH REQUESTS, NO DIFFICULTIES WERE ENCOUNTERED, AND THE CLEARANCES WERE GIVEN EVERY ATTENTION. IN CASES WHERE SCIENTIFIC CONTAINERS OR SAMPLES WERE TO BE REMOVED FROM THE VESSEL FOR SHIPMENT BACK TO THE US, CUSTOMS EXEMPTIONS WERE ALSO REQUESTED.

5. COPIES OF PREVIOUS NOTES VERBALE SENT TO THE JAPANESE

MOFA ARE BEING AIRPOUCHED. NO SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS ARE
NEEDED, AND THE NOTES ARE WRITTEN IN ENGLISH.
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